The manners of the Earl of Cumberland are angry that the Great Carrack should have been awarded to the Queen, for were the prize the Earl's they would have their shares by the composition made with him before going out , whereas those who went with Sir John Burgh, on the Queen's adventure, Sir Walter Ralegh's, or the City of London's are to be paid wages These manners, being much discontented, have combined to seize upon the goods in London, and it is thought they will take occasion to be slack in some action hereafter, divers of them even threatening to go to the enemy The whole prize is offered to the City of London, but they expect so great a pennyworth and the State affords them so little that nothing is likely to come of it

Now that the Duke of Parma is dead, it is thought that the King of France will have the upper hand, and 3000 men under Sir Roger Williams are being sent to him

The Lord Treasurer is now well recovered of his dangerous sickness, at which there is much satisfaction, for on him the whole state of the realm dependeth , and if he were to go there is no one about the Queen able to wield the State

2otb January PLAYS OF THE WELK

The plays at the Rose Theatre this week past were *Tb* Comedy of Cosmo, Titus and Vesfasian, Harry the Siitb, Friar Bacon, 7 be Jew of Malta, Tamer Cam, Muly Mullocco*

January. THE PLAGUE AGAIN INCREASES

The weekly returns of the plague which for some weeks past were diminishing now show an increase, so that the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City are sharply rebuked for their neglect, because either they do not observe good order for preventing the plague or else the orders themselves are insufficient They

are commanded by the Council at their utmost peril to cause immediate note to be taken of all houses infected or suspected to be infected and themselves to see them shut up either by locks hanging outwardly in the doors or by a special watch on every house Thus the infected shall be prevented from resorting abroad to mix with the sound Those so shut up shall be provided with sufficient food and other provision, to be paid for by those of ability , but the poorer sort, artificers or those who